1998-99 at All-India level viz-a-viz State of Kerala along with the share of Kerala to the National Level, is as under:—

State	Cotton (Lakh bales)	Jute/Mesta (Lakh bales)	Sugarcane (Lakh tons)
All-India	124.20	106.14	2842.7
Kerala	0.20	Nil	5.01
Share of Kerala to All-India	0.16%	—	0.18%

Central Integrated Pest Management Centre

759. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a Central scheme for setting up Central Integrated Pest Management Centre in various States;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme, the number of centers set up in the country during the last three years, year-wise, State-wise and the amount spent on each center;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Government of Kernataka has sent a proposal to set up such Centre at Gulbarga and also in other parts of the State; and

(d) if so, the details of the proposal and the reaction of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) and (b) Under the ongoing Central Sector Plan Scheme-Promotion of Integrated Pest Management, the Central Government has set up 26 Central Integrated Pest Management Centres in 21 States and one Union Territory during 1990-91, as per statement enclosed (*see* below). The objectives of these Centres are to carry out pest monitoring and surveillance, biological control of

crop pests and promotion of Integrated Pest Management through demonstrations and trainings of extension workers and farmers by organising Farmers' Field Schools.

No new Centre has been set up during the last three years.

(c) and (d) The Government of Karnataka has sent a proposal to the Central Government for setting up a Central IPM Centre in Gulbarga during 1998. However, it was decided that one major Central IPM Centre established at Bangalore would also cater to the needs of Gulbarga district.

Statement

Locations of Central Integrated Pest Management Centres

S. No.	States/UTS	Location
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1. Hyderabad
		2. Vijayawada
2.	Assam	3. Guwahati
3.	Andaman & Nicobar Island	4. Port Blair
4.	Bihar	5. Patna
5.	Goa	6. Madgaon
6.	Gujarat	7. Baroda
7.	Haryana	8. Faridabad
8.	Himachal Pradesh	9. Solan
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	10. Jammu
		11. Srinagar
10.	Karnataka	12. Bangalore
11.	Kerala	13. Ernakulam
12.	Madhya Pradesh	14. Indore
		15. Raipur
13.	Maharashtra	16 Nagpur
14.	Mizoram	17. Aizwal
15.	Nagaland	18. Dimapur
16.	Orissa	19. Bhubaneswar
17.	Punjab	20. Jalandhar
18.	Rajasthan	21. Sriganganagar
19.	Sikkim	22. Gangtok

S. No.	States/UTS	Location
20.	Tamil Nadu	23. Trichy
21.	Uttar Pradesh	24. Gorakhpur
		25. Lucknow
22.	West Bengal	26. Burdwan

Palm Growers in Karnataka

760. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantities of palm oil, being imported during 1999-2000;

(b) the quantities of palm oil, out of such imported quantity, allocated to Karnataka;

(c) has it come to the notice of Government that the import of palm oil has affected the palm growers in Karnataka as there is no market for their produce;

(d) what is the support price being given for the production of palm oil in Karnataka;

(e) whether Government has agreed to share 50 per cent of the support price; and

(f) if so, the amount so far released by the Centre as its share to Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO): (a) and (b) During the year 1999-2000 State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. has so far imported about 82.00 MT of RBD Palmolein on Government account for the Public Distribution System. Out of this 13,600 MT of RBD Palmolein is allocated to that State of Karnataka.

(c) Steep decline in the price of indigenous crude palm oil due to large import of palm oil has affected oil palm growers in Karnataka.

(d) to (f) A proposal has been received from Government of Karnataka for providing support price to oil palm farmers. Government of Karnataka has proposed to share the cost for